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a.) Remarks

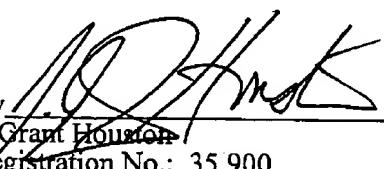
Claims 1-26 are pending in this application.

Claims 1-26 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over claims 1-14 of U.S. Patent No. 6,271,052.

A Terminal Disclaimer is enclosed herewith to obviate the double patenting rejection.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited. Should any questions arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

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